

# THE ROHWER Outpost

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## LATEST RED CROSS TALLY SHOWS \$3170

With more contributions still coming in, the Rohwer Red Cross membership drive has now reached the pretentious figure of \$3170.76, according to Thursday's tabulation.

The total membership of the Japanese Center residents was reported as 2117, with a total contribution of \$2449.76; the total membership of the Caucasian personnel was 172, with a total donation of \$721. The Rohwer high school's Caucasian teaching staff was credited with nearly a 100 per cent cooperation.

The Home Service committee of the local chapter announced that information on sending of messages to Japan will be released as soon as instructions are received from the Washington headquarters.

More contributions over \$5 received are as follows: William M. Beasley, Opal Albright, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Ramsdell, \$15; Mrs. William M. Beasley, \$8; Evalyn King, John T. Plessie, Francis J. Amis, Rebecca E. Banks, \$10; Mildred B. Howell, \$8.03; Edna K. Ziegler, Helena Griswold, Guy Brown, Pearl R. Jackson, Mabel R. Jamison, Mattie Lou Leflar, C. G. Bolin, \$8; Sarah Large, Helen Trwick, Essie J. Avery, Leola Parsley, Ellene W. Cooper, \$7; Frances D. Cook, David L. Cook, \$6; Francis R. (Continued on page 2)

## EXAMINATION PROVES WATER IS SANITARY

After a thorough examination of the water supply, the public health department officially confirmed today that residents may drink the water without boiling it as was previously required.

All faucets which had been disconnected will be ready for use in the near future.

## INSTRUCTION ON TRAVEL GRANTS

According to WRA regulation on travel and subsistence grants, assistance will be given, where needed, only to evacuees who have been granted indefinite leave for the purpose of accepting employment.

An evacuee who has been granted indefinite leave, who returns to the Center and who leaves a second time will be given no assistance when he leaves the second time.

The wage earner subsistence allowance of \$50 shall be made only to one wage earner in the same family.

Further clarifications will be announced later, pending instructions from Washington.

### Kite Contest

The all-Center Kite contest will be held today from 1:30 p.m. on the high school ground.

All entrants, both in the regulation and novelty events, are kindly requested to be on time. Regulation kites must not have more than 684 square inches of paper surface; novelty kites may be of any size. Length of strings must not be shorter than 250 feet.

Judges will be all honorary guests from outside.

## MESS 34 WINS PENNANT AGAIN

Results for the March Mess hall efficiency contest were released today by L.A. May, Project steward.

Duplicating last month's feat, Block 34, under the stewardship of Fred Kanamaru, won the pennant, closely followed by Tom Nambu and his Block 26 crew. Block 25 climbed into third place position.

Other blocks in order to tenth place are 33, 32, 10, 11, 15, 40 and 7

## CO-OP OPENS BEAUTY SHOP FOR WOMEN

The Rohwer Cooperative Enterprises will inaugurate the opening of a beauty salon on Thursday, April 8, at the laundry room of Block 42, announced Toshio Tomishige, publicity manager of the Co-op. Eight operators, directed by Frances Sujishi, manager, and Fusaye Kaminishi, assistant manager, will comprise the staff.

The establishment will offer special treatments for face and scalp as well as machine or machineless permanent waves and oil or plain shampoos.

Appointments will be taken beginning Thursday morning at the hours, 8:30 a.m. to 12 noon; 1:30 p.m. to 4 p.m., including Saturday afternoons.

Payments shall be made by coupons only and for the convenience of the patrons, coupon books will be sold at the shop. Since the rates are undecided, they will be disclosed in the Wednesday issue of the OUTPOST.

## MORE LEAVE THE OUTPOST

Two more members of the OUTPOST staff are leaving to try their wings in the outside world.

One is Sus "Moe" Hasegawa, former news editor who was recently promoted to associate editor. The other is Naomi Kashiwabara, reporter. Both have accepted positions at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Mich.

Hasegawa, Stockton JC graduate, was an invaluable member, always dependable and resourceful. Kashiwabara, brilliant Cal Tech student, was a most colorful writer.

Both men will be sorely missed by the OUTPOST and the Center.

## MORE OUTSIDE EMPLOYMENT OPEN TO INTERESTED WORKERS

For those interested in outside employment, the following positions are now open and recruits may apply at ad building 2.

Two families to run a vegetable farm on a share-crop basis and livestock at \$75 a month plus room and board in Scottville, Mich.

Three nursery men at 55 cents an hour with raise possibilities in Cincinnati, Ohio.

A couple to run a 30-acre farm and poultry at \$75 a month plus room and board in Thompson, Ohio.

15 domestic workers in Chicago, Ill., and Kansas.

A washman at the Children's hospital at \$60 a month plus room and board in Detroit, Mich.

A couple for domestic work at \$125 a month plus room and board in Illinois.

Three lathe operators with one year's experience at \$1-\$1.50 an hour in Cleveland, Ohio.

Domestic work for hus-

band, wife and daughter at \$200-\$250 a month plus room and board in Chicago, Ill.

Two farmhands at \$40-\$60 a month plus room and board in Chicago, Ill.

Two male cafeteria helpers at \$75 a month plus three meals a day in Chicago, Ill.

**March Payroll**  
The March pay roll which totals approximately \$66,000 will be ready for distribution on Tuesday, stated F. R. Mangham, Administration head.

Sections getting paid will be notified.

## SENIOR HIGH P.T.A. MEETING CALLED

This afternoon at 3:30 o'clock a meeting of the block representatives to the Senior high school PTA will be held.

Due to a misinterpretation of schedules, Thursday's meeting was not held.

## 13 BOUND FOR MONTANA WAY

On Monday, 13 residents will leave for Montana as recruiting for sugar beet workers was continued by Hatler Gearheart, Utah and Idaho Sugar company manager.

Gearheart left for Jerome and will be back Monday morning with contracts and other necessary papers for beet workers.

## Contributors For Fund Drive Listed

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Mangham, Neil N. Snyder, Melba L. Wilkins, Joseph S. Coleman, Lillian Morrow, Mary C. Ballard, Eugene B. Brewster, Lona Mae Campster, Elaine Simpson, Adelene Lee, Virginia Magruder, Roberta Porter, Esther Patterson, Hikakuma Mine and Block 6 Young People's club, \$5.

## WORKERS

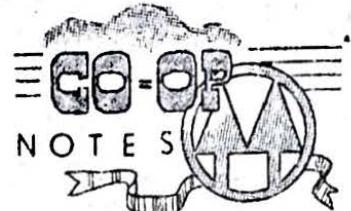
As the tide of relocation approaches full sway, numerous Centerites are taking this opportunity to seek outside employment.

The following residents are departing from the Center to work:

March 29: Seiji Isomoto and Hank Yonemoto for Chicago, Ill.

March 30: Do Higashida, Sam Isami Kawai, Tsugio Kubota and Takejiro Kubota for Chicago, Ill.

March 31: David Tadao Komatsu for Zeeland, Mich.; Junzo Takahashi and Sam Sanji Teranishi for Ann Arbor, Mich.; Yonko Kawahata, Mr. and Mrs. Tanjiro



Soon after the arrival of evacuees from the Stockton and Santa Anita assembly centers, the location for a canteen, west of the administration buildings was selected by Ray D. Johnston, Project director.

Six nisei, Ko Kiyomura, Sam Funamura, Frank Nishikawa, Gary Nagai, Hideo Ito and Tom Hayakawa, were appointed as the Co-op committee. This committee appointed the following issei to form the advisory board: Hideo Muto, Yoichi Agari, Juichi Fujimori, Jensuke Kanegaye, Kinnosuke Ikezoe and Juzo Nishio. These 12 men, with the authority of Johnston, then chose 6 men from among themselves as the Board of Trustees.

Johnston borrowed \$150 from the McGhee Lank to which he added \$100 of his own. He recommended the Rohwer Co-op to many commercial houses both in and outside the state and arranged for credit which was necessary for merchandising.

September 24, 1942, was the day on which the canteen was first opened to the public. Since then, six months have elapsed.

The Co-op now has a membership of approximately four thousand, \$16,200 in merchandise stock, \$8,200 cash in the bank, and such branch additions as dry goods store, shoe repair shop and mail order unit. Barber shop, beauty parlor, dry cleaning-laundry agency and radio-watch repair shop will be assembled within a certain block as soon as the plans to inaugurate them are completed.

In comparison to other center co-ops which set membership fees from one share at \$5 to a limit of twenty shares per person, the Rohwer fee is \$1 and each member is limited to one share apiece. As a result, Rohwer's shares total a little less than \$4000 in contrast to \$25,000 and up of other center co-ops.

## GO OUT

Saruwatarai and son Sherwood for Spokane, Wash.

April 1: Harley Kusumoto for Gregg college, Chicago, Ill.; Frank Masao Kawagoe for Cypress, Texas.

April 3: George Ota for Chicago, Ill.

April 4: Miyoko Sugi for Minneapolis, Minn.; and Haruko Sugi for Chicago, Ill.

April 5: Kiyoshi Richard Tasaki, Naomi Kashiwabara, Susumu Hasegawa and Takeo Utsumi for Ann Arbor, Mich.; George Tadashi Hayashi for Emmett, Idaho; George Kiyoshi Baba and Rose Nobuko Iida for Chicago, Ill.

## CURTAINS: NOW GRACES JOHNSTON'S DEN

Curtains woven from government surplus thread by the weaving class may now be seen gracing the windows in Project Director Ray D. Johnston's office in ad building 1.

Previously, the curtains were on display at an exhibit held last January in PS hall 26. Early intentions were to use them for the visitors' room. As this was not done, someone suggested them for Johnston's office, and the ladies agreed wholeheartedly.

The lining was bought by his secretary, Edna A. Miller, and Adelene Lee, director of arts and crafts.

Upon completion, they were put up last week.

## SIGN-UP BEGINS FOR CRAFT CLASS

With a model-craft workshop to be established soon, the clubs and organizations section urged all those interested in the building of model planes to sign up in PS hall 32.

Information and charts on the construction of identification models were received recently from J. C. Wright, assistant US commissioner for vocational education and director of the model aircraft project.

## Gardens Planted Around Center Post Office And Administration Buildings

With the advent of spring, planting of gardens around the administration buildings and the post office was started Monday by the landscaping crew under the direction of Tad Yoshimine, head landscaper.

Green lawns, flowers and

## OPENING OF RELOCATION HOSTEL IN ILL. ANNOUNCED

The American Friends Service committee has opened a Relocation hostel at 350 West Belden street, Chicago, Ill., where evacuees may stay at the rate of \$1 a day for room and board while job-hunting, revealed Esther B. Rhoads of the Southern California branch during her recent visit to the Center. After the job is found, the rate will be \$12 a week until the evacuee finds a place for himself.

## "Affording a friendly inexpensive base from which the applicants may investigate jobs and to which they may return for advice and a home-like atmosphere, the hostel helps the evacuees find work through the WRA field office, placement agency, US Employment Service and the American Friends Service committee. With one full-time worker assigned to aid the newcomers, all those who have gone to the hostel have found work within two weeks and suitable living arrangements soon afterwards. Among the first 50 to relocate, there were 8 families with children," Miss Rhoads stated.

Beginning tomorrow Harry Koizumi will display wood-carvings made by his pupils during the first quarter of the course. The exhibit will continue until Sunday, April 11, and will be open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sundays and from 1:30 to 8 p.m. on week days at PS hall 14.

### Now Showing

Current attractions from yesterday to Tuesday are as follows:

PS hall 10--"Ex-Champ"  
PS hall 15--"Men Against the Sky"

PS hall 33--"Here We Go Again"

The following schedule will be effective from Wednesday through Saturday:

PS hall 10--"Here We Go Again"  
PS hall 15--"Ex-Champ"  
PS hall 33--"Men Against the Sky"

"There are many openings for office workers, stenographers, accountants and filing clerks. Also openings in factories, stores, social settlements and a few in nursery schools. Outside the big cities, jobs are available in nurseries and on farms."

Applications for employment issued by the American Friends Service committee may be obtained from Edwin Morgenroth, 189 West Madison avenue, Chicago, Ill. In charge of the hostel are Mr. and Mrs. Robertson Port.

## REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE PLANNED

In hopes of getting outside news of interest to evacuees, 5 main WRA regional offices were contacted.

The first reply arrived from E. G. Kennedy of the St. Louis, Mo., branch office stating that Mrs. Stewart Nakano formerly of this Center "will attempt to arrange for some interesting letters...by evacuees who have come to St. Louis...and report on some of the more interesting conferences...on the problem of relocation."

### VITAL STATISTICS

BORN: To Mr. and Mrs. Masajiro Kotaka, 17-10-C, a girl, Kimiko, on March 30.

BORN: To Mr. and Mrs. Sakuichi Egawa, 14-4-B, a girl on April 1.

DIED: Infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Satoshi Sano, 20-5-A, on March 31.

trees will be grown to provide both beauty and comfort during the coming summer days. A Center nursery to store the plants and grow seeds has been established between the hospital wards.

Other projects planned by the landscaping crew include the construction of a direct road to the cemetery located due south of Block 3, and the planting of trees and shrubs on the 200 by 150-foot cemetery ground. With two caretakers now assigned on the ground, contacts are being made with the Military Police to establish regular visiting hours.

# PLANS FOR SPECIAL BUDDHIST SERVICES

With all Buddhist "Hana Matsuri" services set to take place in Mess hall 31, the schedule will be as follows: today, special Japanese service at 2 p.m. and entertainment program at 7 p.m.; tomorrow, Sunday school at 9 a.m., Young Buddhists' service at 10:15 a.m., Japanese service at 2 p.m. and entertainment at 7 p.m.

At the special Japanese service this afternoon, the Rev. Gyodo Kono from Jerome and the Rev. Enryo Unno will deliver the sermons. Juichi Fujimori will be the chairman.

Highlight of the Sunday school service will be the "Kanbutsu Shiki," and the presentation of special gifts to the students. Ruth Yamada will preside.

Guest speakers at the YBA service will be the Rev. Kono and Ayako Noguchi, also from Jerome. Rosie Kusama will sing; Barry Saiki will be chairman.

With Kumakichi Kagawa as chairman, tomorrow's Japanese service will present sermons by the Rev. Kono and the Rev. Seikaku Mizutani.

All Center residents and various administrative members are invited to attend the entertainment program on both nights.

## YMCA TO MEET

The constitution of the Rohwer YMCA will be drawn up when committee members meet Monday at 8 p.m. at 5-3-D, home of Sam Minami, chairman of the board.

With Kaz Ikebusu presiding, others on the committee are Ira Holland, Lincoln Shimidzu, Akiye Yasuda and Minami.

The YMCA program proposed for the younger boys includes joint meetings

## MASS SCHEDULED AT PS HALL 11

The Catholic Mass will be held tomorrow at 10 a.m. in PS hall 11.

Schedule for Catholic services conducted by Father Swift will be as follows: first and third Sundays, at 10 a.m.; second and fourth Sundays, at 8 a.m.

## CENTER GIRL SCOUTS LEAVE ON HIKING TRIP

All Center Girl scouts will go on a hiking picnic today from 10:30 a.m.

Margaret Sorenson, director of youth activities, troop committeemen and scout leaders will join the party. New scout songs and games will provide the fun.

with Center YMCA clubs and with outside YM clubs, and Center-wide campfire rallies, hikes and athletic events.

Plans for the older boys include a speakers' bureau, correspondence with YMCA's and other religious organizations in outside cities for job and student relocation possibilities, leadership training courses and forums with outside groups.

## CLUB NOTES

● Active days were recorded by the Doshi-Kai of Block 25 for the past weeks.

On March 18 a lecture meeting was held with Dr. J. E. Hunter, chief of Community Services, as guest speaker, who discussed the "Purpose of Relocation."

A social was the event for March 24.

On March 27 the members presented a variety program to an audience of 600 from neighboring blocks. The last day of the month was spent in discussing plans for a children's playground within the block.

Members also took paper flowers planted in handmade pots to the Center cemetery.

● A popular figure in the Rohwer sports' world, "Skunk" Isomoto was given a send-off party Monday by the Royal Dukes and 100 close friends on the eve of his departure to Chicago, Ill.

Former athletic manager of the Royal Dukes and adviser for the Raiyos, Isomoto was also coach of the Ramblers, Taiyos and Royal Dukos football teams.

● The Trella Neves was formed Tuesday by the girls' division of the Block 7 Hi-Fliers which was disbanded due to the departure of a number of members.

With Dorothy Tomiyama wielding the president's gavel, others in the cabinet are Sachi Masaki, vice president; Ruth Kambara, secretary-treasurer; and Bessie Igarashi, coach. Adviser will be Mitsie Maruno.

● Disbandment of two clubs was reported by the clubs and organizations section.

The Block 13 Mr. Smiths' held their final meeting last week.

The Hawthorne Y's terminated their club with a social yesterday.

● Farewell "get-togethers" were held last week by members of the Rohwer Dai-ichi for Bunji Hamasaki, president, and Bob Morita, Muzzy Morita and Isamu Kawai, fellow club members.

Juro Sagata succeeded Hamasaki as president.

## Sunday Church Services

### BUDDHIST

Sunday school

9:00 a.m. Mess hall 31

YEA service

10:15 a.m. Mess hall 31

Japanese service

2:00 p.m. Mess hall 31

Hana Matsuri program

7:00 p.m. Mess hall 31

### CATHOLIC

Mass

10:00 a.m. PS hall 11

### CHRISTIAN

Sunday school (11 years and under)

9:00 a.m. PS halls 2, 6, 20

Sunday school (12 years to college age)

9:00 a.m. Mess hall 28

Sunday school (adults)

9:00 a.m. Mess hall 27

English service

10:15 a.m. PS hall 20

Japanese service

2:00 p.m. PS hall 20

YP fellowship hour

7:15 p.m. PS hall 20

# KEEPING POSTED



W.F.K.O.

# GAELS CLASH WITH BOJANGLES IN TEST VANDALS PLAY CARDINALS

Another topflight National league quintet will fall on the wayside tomorrow in the scorching home-stretch when the high scoring Los Angeles Bojangles and the star-studded Gaels match basket for basket to see who stays in the thick of the championship race.

With a setback apiece against them already, another defeat for either five will mean finis as far as the title is concerned, so tomorrow's gigantic battle is expected to have another touch of those nerve-wracking photo-finishes, a la Hollywood style.

Boasting a plus 50 points average for seven tilts, the Bojangles, if they come anywhere near that sensational scoring record, should be on the triumphant end after the smoke has cleared away tomorrow evening.

It was this same Bojangle team that ruined the Gaels' 1943 cage debut with a resounding 36-20 win and if Tosh Ihara, Sam Nakamoto and company can duplicate this early season feat, they will have a clear road to at least a tie for the league crown, providing they knock over their last opponent, the Hawthorne Y's, next week and that should be a cinch victory.

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Coach John Shimakawa's charges must show a better brand of cage playing than what they displayed last week in the disastrous Royal Dukes' game if they are to be a championship contender. With every one of their players a potential high scorer, the Gaels can make it hot and sizzling for the LA Bojangles once they get rolling.

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The sports section suffered a total defeat this week when it lost its star reporters, Thomas Nakamura and Jiro "Cho" Aratani. These two experienced writers were indispensable to whatever success the OUTPOST sports department claimed and will be sorely missed when the

With all eyes focused on the Bojangle-Gael crucial tomorrow, fans are apt to forget that a brace of fine games are being played today. The Gaels should take the Hawthorne Y's without very much trouble on Court 1 at 2 p.m. in a breather.

On Court 2 at the same time, the powerful Royal Dukes face the scrappy Green Horns quintet.

In the best game of the afternoon, the Cards match buckets with the rugged, fast-breaking Vandals. The Cards reign as slight favorites, but anything can happen to this game.

With a chance for at least a tie for the National league championship at stake, the Los Angeles Bojangles and the Stockton Gaels will meet in a bitter battle which should prove to be one of the hardest games of the season. Tip-off time is 3:30 p.m.

The Bojangles will rely on the scoring power of dead-eye Tosh Ihara and Jackson Nakamoto while the Gaels will bank on smooth Kiyo Shimasaki and the team's height for victory.

The A-Jays play the Hawthornes and Lodi faces Mr. Smiths at 2 p.m. Those games should be a breather for Lodi and the A-Jays, but anything can happen.

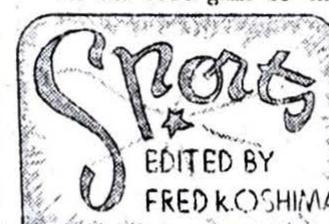
## Weightlifting Exhibition

The Center's second weightlifting exhibition will be held tomorrow at 2 p.m. at the high school field. The affair, sponsored by the Rohwer Vikings, will be a Three Olympics Lift exhibition contest and promises to be something worth watching.

The contest is an inter-club affair and will boast fourteen outstanding lifters who will display the strength and technique of this ancient sport.

The lifters are Joe and Teiji Chino, Sam Furuya, George Iida, Hiro Okada, Isao Nakahira, Vic Matsui, Shig Shiroishi, Harry Kunishima, Hideo Morinaka, Hiro Watanabe, and Mits Yamasaki.

As an added attraction, Yas Kuzuhara of Granada, Colo., will take part as a guest lifter.



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## SPINNERS MEET PREPS SUNDAY

The undefeated Spinners, who are the heavy choice to walk off with the Girls' Basketball league championship, will aim for their third straight victory tomorrow when they meet the Preps on the high school field from 2:30 p.m. Preliminary will see the Sub-Debs and Block 5 matching baskets.

In today's feature cage bill, Block 2 plays Block 7 and Block 13 tangles with Block 28 sextette at 1:30 and 2:30 p.m., respectively.

## Redondo Thumps Wrecks 9-1

Showing rare early season form by chalking up 11 K's, hurler Sam Iida led the Redondo Bombers to a 9-1 near shutout victory over the Rambling Wrecks Thursday. Hisa Kakihira, Bomber's first sacker, enjoyed a perfect day at bat with a homer, two triples and a double on four tries.

heavy spring and summer sports coverage arrives.

Both were colorful writers: Nakamura was the top sports reporter during his sojourn at Lodi High on the Flames, while Aratani did his journalistic scribbling in Los Angeles. The latter is leaving the Center Monday for Gila. The former left for University of Michigan.

## LIL DAN'L

by Akimoto



## SMOKE SIGNALS

## EXCHANGE

## HEART MOUNTAIN.....

Alfred Tanaka and his Surf Riders, a Hawaiian orchestra, were signed as a regular Thursday night feature on the Powell station, KPOW.....The center library received approximately 300 books, a surplus of the Victory book campaign, from the Park county library.

## GILA.....

With the approach of warmer weather, residents were cautioned to use domestic water wisely. Water supply is limited to the production of wells, so water rationing in the near future is a possibility... Camouflage net weavers set a mark of over one million square feet of netting in one eight-hour day.

EDITORIAL  
PRIVATE ENTERPRISE

With the emphasis placed upon mutual cooperation and goodwill, the structural organization of the Center has been molded into a workable pattern during the past six months.

This was made possible because the 4362 workers have considered community welfare more important than their individual selves.

With this in mind, they have and are spending their days in full-time employment.

However, in recent weeks criticisms and comments concerning the growth of private enterprise in the Center have come up. It is said that private instruction in various phases of handicraft and set charges for personal services are being made, which are netting the principals incomes twice or thrice the WPA wages.

The setting of specific charges for instruction or services is unfair and should be discouraged if not entirely eliminated, because:

(1) If private returns are greater than WPA pay, it would be unfair to the workers.

(2) Such private businesses open the way for more individual undertakings which may undermine the Center's co-operative structure.

(3) Often private instructors demand sizable sums which are entirely out of line with the pay that the people are making here.

(4) Employment can be found for these instructors on the government pay roll.

(5) WPA administrative instructions state that no evacuee may establish and manage any industries of private nature.

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## TULE LAKE.....

A spring carnival is slated for April 10 by the boys and girls activities of the recreation department....A veteran of Pearl Harbor and a member of the famed Hawaiian 100th Infantry division, staff sergeant Hideo Kajikawa is visiting relatives.

## PACIFIC CITIZEN.....

Secretary of War Stimson declared that "more than one thousand" nisei volunteered from WPA centers... A Buddhist chaplain is being sought by the War department for the Japanese American combat unit at Camp Shelby, Miss....War department sent a letter to Mrs. Misa Sakura, commanding action taken by her four sons who volunteered from Minidoka.

## TOPAZ.....

Open to the public in the near future will be four regulation tennis courts which are being rushed to completion.... The climatological data for the past three months revealed what is believed to have been one of the mildest winters observed in this area.